



Landmark Middle School
Honors Academy
Application

2024 - 2025 School Year

DUE: May 24, 2024



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Thank you for your interest in the Landmark Middle School Honors Academy. We know that choosing the right program for your child at the middle school level is an important decision. The Honors Academy at Landmark Middle School is designed to meet the learning needs of highly motivated and academically successful students. The goals of the Honors Academy are not only to prepare students for success in future academic challenges, including programs in DCPS accelerated high school programs (Early College, IB, AICE, AP Capstone), but also to provide support and inspiration to all students in developing skills, attitudes, and the responsibility necessary to become productive global citizens. Technology is an important component of the Honors Academy and strives to teach students to be active, confident, and thoughtful users of technology as they creatively and logically complete projects, address challenges, and solve problems.

Admission Requirements (visit duvalschools.org/landmark for more information):

- **Meeting the minimum requirements DOES NOT ensure placement in the Honors Academy**
- Completed application
- Completed student Flip Grid Assignment (rising **6th Graders**)
- Completed student One Pager Assignment (rising **7th & 8th Graders**)
- 2023 – 2024 Reading and Math FAST Scores: level combination of 3/4, 3/5, 4/4, 4/5, or 5/5
- 2023 – 2024 GPA 3.0 or higher

Application Process:

1. Complete the paper-based application and submit to Landmark Middle School (attention Honors Academy). You will need to download and save a copy of the application to your computer before completing it.
2. Review 2024 -2025 admission requirements which are in this document and on the Honors Academy page within the Landmark Middle School website <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/14087>
3. If you are a rising **6th grader**, students will create the Flip Grid Assignment on: "What is leadership and honor at LMS?" A rubric can be found at the end of this application packet. Students need to use the following link to access Flipgrid: <https://flipgrid.com/40918d14>
4. If you are a rising **7th or 8th grader**, students will create a One Pager Assignment on: "What Does Success Mean to You?" using the rubric, found at the end of this application packet. The One Pager will be submitted to Mrs. Kellam for the Honors Academy team to review.
5. **DUE DATE: MAY 24, 2024** -- Complete and submit the application packet (including the Flip Grid / One Pager) to the Landmark Middle School office or to Mrs. Kellam. The application can be also be emailed to:

kellama1@duvalschools.org

Program Requirements:

1. Students are required to maintain a minimum **2.5 GPA** with no D's and F's.
2. At least one hour each day at home should be planned for homework completion, study, and review. Some assignments and projects will require additional time.
3. Students are expected to maintain appropriate behavior and a positive attitude towards learning.
4. Students will have an Honors Academy Engagement Fee for supplies, materials, activities, and events. Specific details will be provided in the welcome packet.
5. Academic Honesty means that students complete all of their own work and do not attempt to take credit for something they did not produce. Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the program.

Contact Information

If you have any additional questions, please visit the Honors Academy Homepage (duvalstudents.org/Landmark) or contact the following staff members:

Honors Academy Lead: Aylia Kellam kellama1@duvalschools.org

6th grade Lead Teacher: Aylia Kellam kellama1@duvalschools.org

7th grade Lead Teacher: Laura Giddings giddingsL@duvalschools.org

8th grade Lead Teacher: Laura Turner turnerL4@duvalschools.org



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**** Remember to download and save this application to your computer and then open saved file before filling out.**

To be considered for acceptance, the completed application must be received by: Landmark Middle School Honors Academy, 101 Kernan Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32225 or by email (kellama1@duvalschools.org).

Name of Applicant _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Date of Birth (mo/day/yr) Student ID number Grade (2023-2024)

Address _____
Number/Street Apt # City Zip

Preferred Phone Number Alternate Phone Number Primary Language Spoken at Home

Parent or Guardian

Relationship to Applicant _____

Last Name First Name Middle Name

Address _____
Number/Street Apt # City Zip

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Home Phone Cell Phone Email Address

Applicant resides with (check one) ☐ both parents ☐ mother ☐ father ☐ legal guardian

Current School _____ Gifted Identified (check one) ☐ yes ☐ no

Students and Parents, please read and sign the **commitment to excellence** statement:

I understand students must qualify for the accelerated program; they need to be of good character, academically advanced and emotionally mature. I further understand in order to continue in the Academy the following year, my student will be expected to earn a "C+" (2.5 GPA) average or better in all classes with no D's and F's. I acknowledge that at least one hour each day at home should be planned for homework completion, study, and review. Some assignments and projects will require additional time. I also understand that students are expected to maintain appropriate behavior and a positive attitude towards learning and that Academic Honesty means that students complete all of their own work and do not attempt to take credit for something they did not produce. Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the program.

Parent Signature _____ Student Signature _____

Flipgrid Instructions: This should be completed only by rising 6th Graders.

Flip Grid Submission Requirements: Please create a Flip Grid answering the following question:

What is leadership and honor at Landmark Middle School?

The Flip Grid video should be a maximum of 2 minutes in length. Sign in to your student OneView account and submit your Flip Grid through <https://flipgrid.com/40918d14>.

Flipgrid Rubric:

What is leadership and honor at Landmark Middle School?

	EXCEEDS Standards	MEETS Standards	PROGRESSING towards Standards	Does NOT MEET Standards
	Excellent work is defined as following all of the criterion and doing the best work you can do. (4 pts)	Good work is defined as following most of the directions and doing the best you can do. (3 pts)	Fair work is defined as making an effort , but not really doing your best work. You are capable of doing much better. (2 pts)	Poor work is defined as not doing a good job and no real effort was put forth. (1 pts)
Leadership	Gave an outstanding description of leadership with personal examples <input type="checkbox"/>	Gave a good description of leadership with general examples <input type="checkbox"/>	Gave a fair description of leadership without examples <input type="checkbox"/>	Gave no description of leadership <input type="checkbox"/>
Honor	Gave an outstanding description of honor with personal examples <input type="checkbox"/>	Gave a good description of honor with general examples <input type="checkbox"/>	Gave a fair description of honor without examples <input type="checkbox"/>	Gave no description of honor <input type="checkbox"/>
Creativity	Showed outstanding creativity and original thinking <input type="checkbox"/>	Showed some creativity and original thinking <input type="checkbox"/>	Showed little creativity or original thinking <input type="checkbox"/>	Showed no creativity or original thinking <input type="checkbox"/>
Presentation	Student presents with a clear and enthusiastic voice <input type="checkbox"/>	Student presents with a clear voice and is somewhat enthusiastic <input type="checkbox"/>	Student presentation is unclear and not enthusiastic <input type="checkbox"/>	Student does not submit presentation <input type="checkbox"/>

One Pager Instructions: This should be completed only by rising 7th and 8th Graders.

“What Does Success Mean to You?”

A One-Pager is a creative response to your learning experience. It allows you to respond imaginatively while being brief and concise in making connections between words and images. We learn best when we create our own ideas. Your personal thinking about what you have experienced should be understood by the audience that views the One Pager.

Follow this rubric and format for your One Pager:

- ✓ Use unlined white paper (copy paper).
- ✓ Title the One-Pager appropriately to reflect the topic.
- ✓ Use colored pens, pencils, or markers.
- ✓ Fill the entire page.
- ✓ Use 3 visual images that relate to success, either drawn or cut out from other sources. If you use a computer image, personalize it to make it your own.
- ✓ Place 5 essential vocabulary words/phrases that relate to “success” around the images. These terms/words/phrases should express the main ideas, your impressions, feelings, or thoughts about what you think achievement is.
- ✓ Include a personal connection how you can relate to success.
- ✓ Write a summary main idea sentence that explains why success would be important in the Honors Academy.
- ✓ Write 2 Costa’s (Level 2 or 3) questions about success.
- ✓ Put a symbolic colored border around the edges of the page.
- ✓ Write your name on the back.